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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6947 NOTE PREPARED: Mar 12, 2009 **BILL NUMBER:** SB 345 **BILL AMENDED:** Mar 12, 2009

SUBJECT: Domestic Violence Programs.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Becker BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 2nd House

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. L. Lawson

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill transfers the administration of sexual offense services, domestic violence programs, the assistance to victims of human and sexual trafficking, the Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Council, the Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Fund, and the Family Violence and Victim Assistance Fund to the Criminal Justice Institute. The bill also makes conforming changes.

It repeals the current law concerning the Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Council, the Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Fund, and the Family Violence and Victim Assistance Fund.

Effective Date: June 30, 2009; July 1, 2009.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill relocates laws pertaining to the Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Council, Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Fund (DVPT Fund), and Family Violence and Victim Assistance Fund (FVVA Fund). The bill provides that the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute's (CJI) Division of Victims' Services will administer the Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Council. Currently, the Division of Family Resources (DFR) is responsible for administering the Council and the DVPT Fund. Furthermore, the DFR and the Treasurer of State are responsible for administering the FVVA Fund.

The statutory transfer of the FVVA and DVPT funds and the various functions and responsibilities of the DFR and Treasurer of State will not necessarily represent a fiscal impact to the state. Any costs that might be incurred from a physical relocation of offices and any expenditures that could be reduced because of operational efficiencies will depend upon administrative action.

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(Revised) The legislation repeals IC 12-18-3 which refers to the Council and moves the Council under the jurisdiction of the Division of Victims' Services. The legislation adds six members to the Council, which will increase expenditures to provide travel reimbursement and per diem. Increases in expenditures will depend on the additional travel and reimbursement requests submitted by the additional members of the Council, but should be small.

The bill also transfers two positions from DFR to CJI for the administration of sexual offense services, domestic violence programs, and assistance to victims of human and sexual trafficking offenses. CJI reports annual expenditures of approximately \$160,000 per year to provide salary, fringe, and indirect costs associated with these two new positions. Any increase in CJI staffing expenditures for the two new positions should be offset by a reduction in DFR staffing expenditures. Changes in staffing expenditures will depend on any difference between the salary provided for these positions under CJI as compared to DFR.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: CJI; DFR.

Local Agencies Affected:

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